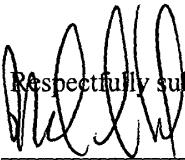


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In response, Applicants submit herewith a copy of the Notice to Comply; and the Sequence Listing on a paper and computer readable format in compliance with the requirements of §§1.821 through 1.825. The computer readable form containing the nucleic acid and/or amino acid sequences as required by 37 C.F.R. §1.821(f) contains the same information which is submitted as Sequence Listing, the Sequence Listing complies with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §1.824 and does not contain any new matter. Thus, Applicants Specification is in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.821 through 1.825. Therefore, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to reconsider and withdraw the objection.

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